(c) The indigenously developed electronic alarm system is not so effective in hilly and mountainous regions. Approval has been accorded for procurement of "Unattended Ground Sensor", capable of detecting personnel and vehicles using its seismic, magnetic and passive IR sensors.

Electronic Alarm System in Disuse

210. SHRI S. RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an electronic alarm system to help in detecting enemy intrusions in border areas, like Kargil, has been gathering dust for the past six years in a defence laboratory in Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the low cost system can detect intrusions in border areas which is difficult to monitor by line of sight implements of patrolling personnel; and

(c) if so, why it is not being used in border areas?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The indigenously developed acoustic/seismic sensor based elctronic alarm system is capable of detecting intrusions in the plains of Rajasthan, Punjab and Gujarat. However, it is not so effective in hilly and mountainous regions. Approval has been accorded for procurement of 'Unattended Ground Sensor', capable of detecting personnel and vehicles using its seismic, magnetic and passive IR sensors.

Compensation for Soliders Killed and Injured in Terrorist Attacks

211. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of soldiers killed and injured in terrorist attacks in J&K and in the North Eastern sector, during last three years;

(b) whether families of the killed soldiers have received relief, compensation etc., in all the cases;

(c) how many complaints have been received during the last three years from the families of the soldiers killed and injured that they

have not been rehabilitated; and

(d) what steps Government are taking to redress the grievances of the families of killed soldiers?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (d) The number of Army Personnel killed and injured in terrorist attacks in J&K and in the North Eastern sector, during last three years is as under:—

	1996	1997	1998
Killed	301	338	370
Injured	619	678	936

Relief, compensation, etc. as applicable has been paid to all concerned on completion of necessary documentation. As per records available no complaints have been received from the families of the soliders killed and injured that they have not been rehabilitated. Regular contact is being maintained with the families of the soliders killed through the units of the deceased, Regimental Training Centres, Station Headquarters and Sub Areas Headquarters in whose geographical jurisdiction the families are located, the ensure effective redressal of their grievances.

Casualties due to Kargil Conflict

212. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of casualties suffered by the civilians and the Defence personnel in the Kargil conflict;

(b) whether the benefits have been received by the families of the Defence personnel, as announced by the Central Government, State Governments and other agencies; if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether many villagers left their villages due to the conflict; if so, have those villagers been rehabilitated; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken to rehabilitate them?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) The casualties suffered by Defence Services personnel in the Kargil conflict are 524 killed and 1363 injured. Information regarding the number of civilian casualties is being collected.